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EXECUTIVE ORDER 04-17

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WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the State of Florida is requesting assistance under the Emergency Mutual Aid Compact ("EMAC") in response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Charley affecting the entire State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida requests that Missouri provide state and local emergency management personnel beginning on August 18, 2004, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2004, I directed the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency to initiate efforts to coordinate the State of Florida's request pursuant to the EMAC; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens in the affected communities requires an invocation of the provisions of Sections 44.415 RSMo, 44.032 RSMo, and 44.090 RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BOB HOLDEN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby declare that Missouri will implement the EMAC agreement with the State of Florida to provide assistance, because Florida has experienced loss of life and devastating damages to public and private property, and I do hereby direct that the Missouri State Management Agency activate the EMAC plan.

This Executive Order shall terminate on October 31, 2004, unless extended in whole or in part.



ATTEST:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson on this 18th day of August, 2004.

Bob Holden Governor

Matt Blunt Secretary of State